

SEC. 2. ADDING SUICIDE PREVENTION CONTACT INFORMATION TO SCHOOL IDENTIFICATION CARDS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 487(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1094(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(30)(A) In the case of an institution that creates and distributes identification cards for students at any time after the date of enactment of this paragraph, such institution shall include phone contact information on each such card for the following organizations:

“(i) The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

“(ii) Crisis Text Line.

“(iii) A campus mental health center or program, as determined by the institution.

“(B) In the case of an institution that does not create and distribute identification cards for students at any time after the date of enactment of this paragraph, such institution shall publish the suicide prevention contact information specified in subparagraph (A) on the website of such institution.

“(C) If an organization in clause (i) or (ii) of subparagraph (A) ceases to exist, the Secretary may designate a different entity with a similar purpose to be included on the identification card.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect beginning on the day that is 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act.

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. KENNEDY. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

(Mr. KENNEDY assumed the Chair.)

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SCOTT of Florida). Without objection, it is so ordered.

TRIBUTE TO THE TEXAS DELEGATION

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, at the end of each Congress, we have the bittersweet task of saying good-bye to some of our retiring colleagues, and today I want to talk a little bit about our departing Members of Team Texas.

When I came to the Senate, succeeding Senator Phil Gramm, Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, now our Ambassador to NATO, always schooled us on Team Texas and said: We may be Democrats, we may be House Members, we may be Republicans, we may be Members of the Senate, but when it comes to Texas, we are all part of Team Texas.

And I tried to carry that tradition on as well.

Our delegation is losing six incredible statesmen, including three ranking Members in the House, whose contributions have notched countless wins for our State during their time in Congress.

TRIBUTE TO MAC THORNBERRY

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, the first name I want to mention is MAC THORNBERRY. MAC is the dean of the Texas delegation. His district is the second largest in Texas, and comprises parts of 41 different counties. It stretches from the suburbs of Dallas, across Wichita Falls, Amarillo, and most of the Texas Panhandle.

The folks throughout Texas 13 couldn't have asked for a stronger advocate over these last 26 years than MAC. His background as a rancher, a former Capitol Hill staffer, and a State Department official under the Reagan administration, then brought him to Congress with a well-rounded view of the problems facing our country. He possessed the leadership characteristics needed to address each of those.

He spent his time here consistently fighting to rein in government spending—something that, as the Presiding Officer knows, sometimes seems like a futile task but necessary.

He has consistently fought to protect our freedoms and liberties and ensure that all Texans have a shot at the American dream.

We have worked together many times over the years on everything from protecting the property rights of folks along the Red River to renaming the Amarillo courthouse after a trail-blazing Texan, Mary Lou Robinson.

There is no question that some of his greatest accomplishments are related to our national defense. MAC has served on the House Armed Services Committee throughout his time in Congress, and he became the first Texan of either party to chair that committee. He has used this important and powerful post to ensure that our servicemembers have what they need to defend our freedoms abroad and the training and the equipment to make it home safely.

He has done a lot—more than most—to improve military readiness, including through needed improvements at our Texas military installations. I remember visiting Sheppard Air Force Base in MAC's district with him a couple of years ago and being taken aback by the look of admiration and appreciation on the faces of those airmen we encountered who knew of MAC's incredible advocacy on their behalf.

It is appropriate that the National Defense Authorization Act that just passed both Chambers of Congress carries his name—the MAC THORNBERRY National Defense Authorization Act. There could not be a more fitting tribute to the countless ways our friend from Clarendon has improved our great country.

I want to thank MAC for his incredible leadership, as well as his service and his friendship over the years. The halls of Congress won't be the same without him, but I know he is eager to spend more time with his wonderful wife Sally and the rest of their extended family.

MAC has done what we all aspire to do, and that is to leave Congress better

than he found it, and I thank him on behalf of all Texans for the true patriot that he is.

TRIBUTE TO WILL HURD

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, as we like to say, everything is a little bit bigger in Texas than the rest of the country, and that is true not only of MAC's district but also the largest congressional district represented by another one of our departing colleagues, WILL HURD. WILL was a former CIA officer when he was elected to the House of Representatives in 2014. One Texan aptly observed: “He has been running a marathon like a sprint for seven years.”

I think WILL's last congressional race he won by 900 votes in this sprawling border district.

His expertise is in cyber security, as well as intelligence matters. He has helped steer our efforts to bolster our national security, counterterrorism, and strengthen our intelligence community and capacity.

Considering his district includes 800 miles of our southern border, you can imagine that he has been a strong advocate for our border communities. We have worked together on cross-border trade, modernizing our ports of entry, and ensuring communities along the border are safe and prosperous.

We have also been working together on establishing a national museum of the American Latino here in Washington, and I hope we will be able to push this authorization bill over the line here in the coming days.

Unlike some folks whom we meet in Washington who seem to be all talk and who never seem to listen, WILL understands the importance of sitting down for a conversation with his constituents and actually listening to what they have to say. He launched the highly popular “DC to DQ tour,” where he met with constituents at local Dairy Queens in all 29 counties in his district in only 5 days.

For everything from healthcare to education, to veterans affairs, Texans can sit down with their Congressman and have a real conversation about the things that counted for the most in their lives and the things they would like to see him pursue on their behalf here in Washington, DC.

I would hate to know how many Blizzards WILL ate during that time, but these conversations certainly drove his policymaking and ensured the people of the Texas 23rd were truly heard here in Congress.

Last year, WILL and I both took part in San Antonio's annual Martin Luther King, Jr., March, which is one of the largest in the country. WILL happens to be the only Black Republican in the House of Representatives and has become a trusted voice for those whose experience and ideas are too often overlooked or underrepresented.

That has been especially true over the last several months, when we have